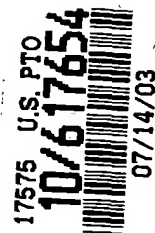
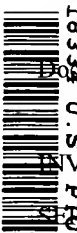


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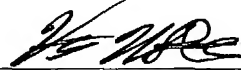
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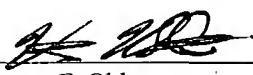
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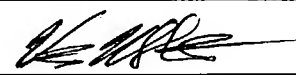
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☒ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 10/115,242, filed April 4, 2002, now pending, which is a Continuation application of PCT/JP00/06628, filed September 26, 2000, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.

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In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

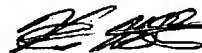
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- ☐ are submitted herewith
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ☒ were filed in prior application Serial No. 10/115,242 filed April 4, 2002
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